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For:	POLYMERS FOR CEMENT DISPERSING ADMIXTURE	) Confirmation No.: 2640 )	HAY 14 2003				
	RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQU	REMENT TRANSMITTAL LETT	ER				
P.O. B	issioner for Patents ox 1450 dria, Virginia 22313-1450						
Sir:							
En applica	nclosed is a Response to Restriction Requition.	irement for the above-identified	patent				
[]	A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.						
[ ]	A Terminal Disclaimer and the [ ] \$55.00 (2814) [ ] \$110.00 (1814) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d) are also enclosed.						
[ ]	Also enclosed is/are		·				
[ ]	Small entity status is hereby claimed.						
[ ]	Applicant(s) request continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the [ ] \$375.00 (2801) [ ] \$750.00 (1801) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).						
	[ ] Applicant(s) previously submitted is requested.	, on, for which continued e	examination				
[ ]	Applicant(s) request suspension of action by the Office until at least, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.						
[ ]	A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (1809/2809) is also enclosed.						
[X]	No additional claim fee is required.						

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[ ] An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:

		AMENDED	CLAIMS		•
5 kg	No. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST NO. OF CLAIMS PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	ADDT'L FEE
Total Claims	38	MINUS 38 =	-0-	× \$18.00 (1202) =	-0-
Independent Claims	1	MINUS 3 =	-0-	× \$84.00 (1201) =	-0-
If Amendment adds m	nultiple depe	ndent claims, add	\$280.00 (120	03)	
Total Amendment Fee	9				
If small entity status is	s claimed, su	ubtract 50% of Tot	al Amendme	nt Fee	
TOTAL ADDITIONAL	FEE DUE	FOR THIS AMENI	OMENT		. 7

[	]	A claim fee in the	amount of <u>\$</u>	is enclosed.
ſ	]	Charge \$	to Deposit Account	No. 02-4800.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 25, 2003 (Requirement for Restriction], applicants submit the following remarks.

## REMARKS

In complete response to the Official Action [Restriction Requirement] mailed April 25, 2003, Applicants elect with traverse, Group I, claims 1-11 and 20-37, directed to an acrylic polymer. Reconsideration of the Restriction Requirement is respectfully requested for the following reasons.

In accordance with MPEP §803, an application may be properly restricted to one or more claimed inventions only if (1) the inventions are independent or distinctly claimed, and (2) there is a serious burden on the Examiner if restriction is not required. Thus, even if appropriate reasons exist for requiring restriction, such a requirement should not be